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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed October 17, 2001, setting forth a Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application. In the Office Action, the Examiner required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

I. Claims 1-6, drawn to a method of making MRI shims involving encapsulation.

II. Claims 7-24, drawn to a method of making MRI shims involving metal working.

III. Claims 25-32, drawn to the product.

In response, Applicant hereby elects the invention of Group II, corresponding to claims 7-24. Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional applications corresponding to the non-elected claims of Groups I and III.

In the event any fee is due in connection with the present response, the Examiner is authorized to charge Applicant's Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

Respectfully submitted,

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